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Letter dated 27 August 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter addressed to you by His Excellency Mr. Osman Ertuğ, Representative of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (see annex).

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 45, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) İnal BATU
Ambassador
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ANNEX

Letter dated 26 August 1993 from Mr. Osman Ertuğ
addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to the letter dated 10 August 1993 addressed to you by the Greek Cypriot representative concerning the demographic structure of Cyprus, which was circulated as a General Assembly and Security Council document under the symbol A/47/999-S/26288 on the same date.

In response to the baseless allegations contained in the above-mentioned letter, I cannot do better than bring to your kind attention the relevant part of a statement issued by His Excellency Dr. Kenan Atakol, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence, on 24 August 1993, a copy of which is annexed hereto (see appendix).

I would be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 45, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Osman ERTUĞ
Representative
Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus

APPENDIX

Extract from a statement issued by Dr. Kenan Atakol
on 24 August 1993

For years, the Greek Cypriot administration has been claiming that the Turkish Cypriot side is trying to change the demographic structure of Cyprus and, by using false figures which defy even the elementary norms of logic, has been attempting to deceive world public opinion. A new example of this is the allegation that 5,000 Turkish nationals have recently been given Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus citizenship. To claim that it is even possible to grant citizenship to so many people within the short time that has elapsed since the amendment of the old and outdated citizenship law, the Greek Cypriot authorities must be living in a dream world and must be running out of propaganda material.